GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4176
ANSWERED ON:15.12.2000
SMUGGLED GOODS CONFISCATED
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the value and details of smuggled goods confiscated during the current year, State-wise;

(b) the number of persons arrested in this connection and action taken against them; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government to check the smuggling?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): The value of smuggled goods including foreign currency seized by the Customs officials from January, 1999 till November, 2000, State-wise, and the number of persons arrested in connection thereto, are indicated in Annexure. Necessary appropriate action under the provisions of Customs Act, 1962, has been initiated against the persons arrested.

(c): All the field formations of the Customs Department including DRI are alert to detect and prevent smuggling of contraband goods including foreign currency.

ANNEXURE

VALUE OF SMUGGLED GOODS AND FOREIGN CURRENCY SEIZED BY THE CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT FROM JANUARY 1999 TO NOVEMBER, 2000, STATE-WISE, AND PERSONS ARRESTED IN CONNECTION THERETO

SL.NO.	STATE	VALUE OF SMUGGLED GOODS INCLUDING FOREIGN CURRENCY SEIZED (RS. IN LAKHS)	NO. OF PERSONS ARRESTED
1	Andhra Pradesh	1066.54	8
2	Assam	388.92	36
3	Bihar	6720.65	263
4	Chattisgarh	6.50	-
5	Delhi	11178.48	141
6	Goa	84.57	8
7	Gujarat	7397.39	35
8	Haryana	1947.00	1
9	Jharkhand	1.22	-
10	Karnataka	888.55	35
11	Kerala	2364.26	50
12	Madhya Pradesh	128.66	5
13	Maharashtra	49769.68	221
14	Manipur	764.41	42
15	Meghalaya	248.35	30
16	Mizoram	157.86	11
17	Nagaland	122.49	8
18	Orissa	1.82	-
19	Pondicherry	2.25	-
20	Punjab	683.70	24
21	Rajasthan	87.88	7
22	Tamil Nadu	4357.01	218
23	Tripura	402.59	9
24	U.P.	1247.84	130
25	West Bengal	11997.73	224
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TOTAL		102016.35	1506
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Note: Report in respect of the States, which have not been mentioned above, may be treated as `Nil`